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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 03-02: EXOTIC NEWCASTLE DISEASE

NEVADA

1. **Title and its heading:** 3, Agriculture
Chapter and its heading: 2, Department of Agriculture
Animal Services Division
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and R3-2-618
2. **PURPOSE**
To prevent the introduction or spread of Exotic Newcastle Disease ("END") in Arizona.
3. **AUTHORITY**
A.R.S. § 3-1203(A) General powers and duties; civil penalties
A.R.S. § 3-1205 Control of animal diseases; violation; classification
9 CFR Part 82, Subpart A Exotic Newcastle Disease
4. **APPLICABILITY**
This Order supplements rules in the *Arizona Administrative Code*, Title 3, Chapter 2, Article 6, Health Requirements Governing Admission of Animals. It applies to all avian species and commercial traffic originating from the quarantine area in Nevada, and to bird exhibits, shows, auctions, public displays, and competitions held in Arizona.
5. **ORDER**
 - A. **Area under quarantine. The areas under quarantine include all counties and portions of counties in NEVADA CURRENTLY DECLARED OR IN THE FUTURE DECLARED TO BE UNDER QUARANTINE for exotic Newcastle disease by the state of Nevada or the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. The areas under quarantine in Nevada as of January 17 include all of Clark County and portions of Nye County.**
 - B. Items under restriction. Birds, poultry, poultry products, poultry waste, vehicles, and materials that could transmit exotic Newcastle disease.
 - C. No live or dead bird of any type, including poultry, poultry product, or material, including poultry waste, that could transmit exotic Newcastle disease may be moved into Arizona from the area under quarantine. An exemption is made for eggs that have met the requirements of 9 CFR 82.8, including washing, sanitizing, and packing in new material.
 - D. No equipment used for the processing of eggs or for the housing, feeding, watering, entertaining, or otherwise caring for birds of any type may be moved into Arizona from the area under quarantine unless accompanied by a certificate signed by an official of the U.S. Department of Agriculture or the Nevada Department of Agriculture stating the equipment has been cleaned and disinfected according to a protocol established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
 - E. A commercial vehicle originating from the area under quarantine that is transporting feed or eggs must have proof of the cleaning and disinfection of the vehicle, trailer, and packing material performed immediately prior to the loading of the vehicle. This proof must be provided in writing if requested by an inspector of the Arizona Department of Agriculture and must demonstrate that the cleaning and disinfection was performed according to a protocol established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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- F.** The driver of a vehicle of any type transporting a bird shall have an original health certificate issued by an accredited veterinarian within thirty days prior to entry stating the birds are healthy and do not originate from a quarantine area. Photocopies of health certificates must have an original veterinarian signature.
- G.** A promoter of an event in Arizona, such as an exhibit, show, auction, competition, or other public display of birds of any type shall immediately inform the State Veterinarian by mail, facsimile, or electronic mail of a scheduled event. The notification shall include the contact name, mailing address, physical address of the event, and daytime telephone number.
- H.** A promoter of an event in Arizona, such as an exhibit, show, auction, competition, or other public display of birds of any type, shall inform the event exhibitors and vendors in writing of this Order, the current quarantine for exotic Newcastle disease, and the risk of introducing that disease into Arizona, and the promoter shall require each event exhibitor and vendor to attest in writing that they are not in violation of this Order. The signed document shall be forwarded to the State Veterinarian within one week of the conclusion of the event.

6. IMPLEMENTATION

This Order is effective January 17, 2003 and remains in effect until cancelled.